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It will be seen that one-half of the total number of deaths during the month was due to 2 diseases alone, i. e., malarial fever and pneumonia. The spread of pneumonia among the negroes is assuming a serious aspect and the type of the disease is severe, the mortality being as high as 75 per cent. A separate ward in the hospital for pneumonia cases has been established in which there are at present about 15 cases. An investigation is being made by the sanitary department to ascertain the cause of the spread of this disease in the different labor camps.

*Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows:

Week ended September 8, 1906. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
Sept. 1	Belvernon .....	New Orleans .....	21	0	0	0
2	Katie .....	Mobile .....	24	0	0	0
4	John Wilson .....	New Orleans .....	18	0	0	0
6	Fort Morgan .....	Mobile .....	27	0	0	0
7	Greenbrier .....	New Orleans .....	47	0	0	0

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*Report from Callao—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Plague in Peru—Smallpox in Chilean ports.*

Assistant Surgeon Wightman reports, August 27, as follows:

Week ended August 25, 1906: Vessels dispatched by this office as follows:

British steamship *Hampstead* on the 20th for Eureka, Cal., with water ballast, a crew of 32, and no passengers.

German steamship *Serapis* on the 22d for San Francisco, Cal., with general cargo, a crew of 43, of whom 2 were from this port, and no passengers.

Chilean steamship *Palena* on the 24th for Ancon, Canal Zone, with general cargo and a total personnel of 212, of whom 2 new members of crew, 57 cabin and 69 steerage passengers were from this port.

All three vessels were fumigated, and steerage passengers' baggage for the *Palena* was inspected and passed, or disinfected.

The following are the latest statistics of plague in Peru received from the Director de Salubridad:

Locality.	Cases Aug. 2.	New.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining Aug. 16.
Lima .....	3	7	1	4	5
Paita .....	5	3	4	2	2
Mollendo .....	0	1	0	1	0

Bills of health from Chilean ports report as follows in regard to smallpox: Iquique, present; Antofagasta, 39 cases with 4 deaths in 2 weeks previous to August 12; Coquimbo, 30 cases with 1 death in 2 weeks previous to August 11; Talcahuana, present in the surrounding country. No plague is reported in bills of health from Chile.

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

#### *Report from Manila--Cholera in Manila and the Provinces—Inspection of vessels—Quarantine transactions, month of June, 1906.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, August 9, as follows:

Week ended August 4, 1906; quarantinable disease reported for the city of Manilla as follows: Cholera, 38 cases, 30 deaths.

During the same period cholera was reported from the provinces as follows:

Provinces.	Cases.	Deaths.
Pampanga .....	182	153
Bulacan .....	237	151
Rizal .....	92	73
Nueva Ecija .....	107	64
Laguna .....	58	47
Cavite .....	18	15
Tayabas .....	29	25
Pangasinan .....	1	1
Tarlac .....	7	5
Total.....	<hr/> 731	<hr/> 534

Vessels proceeding to the United States treated as follows:

On August 3 the British steamship *Saint Egbert*, with 35 crew, en route from Shanghai to New York, was granted a supplemental bill of health after the usual inspection of cargo and personnel.

On August 4 the American schooner *Polaris*, with 11 crew, entered quarantine prior to her departure for Port Townsend and remained in quarantine at the close of the week.

#### *Quarantine transactions of the Service in the Philippine Islands during the month of June, 1906.*

##### PORT OF MANILA.

Bills of health issued .....	269
Vessels inspected .....	260
Passengers on arriving boats inspected .....	7,372
Persons vaccinated .....	666
Crews on arriving vessels inspected .....	9,251
Persons bathed and effects disinfected .....	197
Vessels partially disinfected .....	3
Vessels fumigated to exterminate vermin .....	20
Pieces of baggage disinfected .....	263
Pieces of baggage inspected and past .....	41

(Outgoing.)

Vessels remaining in quarantine from May .....	3
Vessels entering quarantine during the month .....	123
Vessels discharged from quarantine .....	123
Vessels sailing without quarantine inspected and past .....	78